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The Honorable Walter D. Huddleston United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Huddleston:

I would like to thank you for writing the President urging his continued support for increased resources for the Intelligence Community.

With Congressional help, we have made significant headway in rebuilding our nation's intelligence capabilities for the challenges that lie ahead. We still have a ways to go, though, and I share your concerns that mounting pressures to curb growing federal deficits might lead to a premature halt to our rebuilding program.

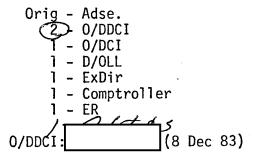
As we continue our efforts to build an intelligence system second to none, it is particularly gratifying to know that we have such strong support in Congress.

Sincerely,

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